

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: AQUILA, INC., d/b/a AQUILA NETWORKS	DOCKET NOS. RFU-02-3 RFU-02-4 (PGA-02-57)
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ORDER APPROVING REFUND PLAN

(Issued January 16, 2003)

On November 25, 2002, the Utilities Board (Board) issued an order in Docket No. PGA-02-57 directing Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks (Aquila), to file a refund plan for Board approval. The refund will return approximately \$2,890,782 resulting from the annual reconciliation of the purchased gas adjustment (PGA) filings to customers. On December 19, 2002, Aquila filed the refund plan. The refund plan was identified as Docket No. RFU-02-4.

Aquila had previously filed a refund plan identified as Docket No. RFU-02-3 on November 25, 2002, to return an over-collection from Pan Alberta Pipeline Company (Pan Alberta). In Docket No. RFU-02-3, Aquila proposed to incorporate the relatively small refund of \$78,339 from Pan Alberta into the reconciliation refund in Docket No. RFU-02-4. Aquila has indicated it still intends to combine the refunds and refund them in the February 2003 billing cycle.

The Board finds the refund plan complies with the Board's rules and is reasonable. The total refund will be approximately \$0.01915 per ccf for residential

and interruptible customers. The amount of refund to a typical residential customer using 1200 ccf will be \$22.98. The refund will be distributed in the February billing cycle.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. The refund plan filed by Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks, on December 19, 2002, in Docket No. RFU-02-4, is approved. The refund will include the refund amounts from Docket No. RFU-02-3.

2. Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks, shall file a refund report within 30 days of the completion of the refund.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Diane Munns

/s/ Mark O. Lambert

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 16th day of January, 2003.